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Remarks

Upon entry of the present Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-22 are pending in the present application.

Claims 1, 3, 5, 6 and 8-17 are amended herein. Claim 1 is amended with respect to the version of claim 1 in the PCT published application. This amendment of claim 1 corresponds to the amended claim 1 considered in the International Preliminary Report on Patentability. These claims were submitted during the international phase. The amendments to claims 3, 5, 6, 8-17 and new claims 18 and 19 are provided for the purpose of converting multiple dependent claims to singularly dependent claims, to reduce the filing fee. Claim 17 is amended to bring the "use" claim into conformity with the methods recited in the remaining claims.

New claims 18-22 are submitted herewith. New claim 18 corresponds to original claim 5 as dependent on claim 4. New claim 19 corresponds to original claim 11 as dependent on claim 1. New claim 20 corresponds to the combination of original claims 2 and 3. New claim 21 is supported, for example, at page 26, lines 7-14 and Fig. 1. New claim 22 corresponds to original claim 8 as dependent on claim 7. The subject matter of all amendments and new claims is believed to be fully supported in the application as originally filed.

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